

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 14, with the following paragraph:

However, although the door handle of the conventional large-size refrigerator can provide an elegant front appearance for the refrigerator, since the door handle is manufactured by the extrusion molding of the metallic material, there occur problems ~~that~~ when the user grips the grip portion to open or close the door. For example, the user may feel tactile discomfort due to coldness of the door handle made of the metal, and ~~in that~~ the hardness of the material of the door handle may cause the user's fingernails to break.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 9, with the following paragraph:

The fixing portion 21 is provided with a front combining protrusion 22 and a rear combining protrusion 23 respectively extending toward the door 13 such that some portion of the front and rear faces of the door 13 is covered by a predetermined width, such that opposite sides of the free end of the door 13 are combined with the protrusions 21 and 23, respectively. Further, the fixing portion 21 is formed therethrough with a thread hole 25 to be screwed by a fixing screw 26 in order to mount the fixing portion 21 to the door 13. The front combining protrusion 22 is integrally provided, at an inner surface thereof, with a screw portion 24 to which a fixing screw 27 is fastened when a cover 28 for covering upper and lower ends of the door 13 is mounted on the door. The screw portion 24 has an arcuate cross-sectional shape. A secure combination of the fixing portion 21 and the door 13 is attributed to the structure of the screw portion and the thread hole to be fastened by the screws 26 and 27, respectively, after secure attachment of the fixing portion 21 to the door 13.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 15, with the following paragraph:

In general, if the refrigerator is used for a long time, due to a weakened adhesive force of the buffer member 30, the buffer member 30 can slide down or can be pushed up along the

insertion groove 29c resulting in deviation from the insertion groove 29c. Thus, in order to prevent the deviation of the buffer member 30, the deviating prevention member 40 is fixed to the insertion groove 29c to support opposite ends of the buffer member 30. The deviating prevention member 40 is slidably supported, at opposite ends thereof, in the insertion groove 29c such that the deviating prevention member 40 is detachably provided to the insertion groove 29c. Like the uneven portion of the buffer member 30, the deviating prevention member 40 is formed with an uneven portion 41 on the outer surface thereof and with a fixing protrusion 42 protruded toward the side extension 29b on the inner surface thereof. The side extension 29b is provided with a fixing groove 29d such that when the deviating prevention member 40 is inserted there into, the fixing protrusion 42 is received in the fixing groove 29d, thereby fixing the deviating prevention member 40. The deviating prevention member 40 is provided at the center thereof with an elastic deformation portion 43 divided by two vertically elongated grooves thereon. The fixing protrusion 42 is provided on the rear side of the elastic deformation portion 43, and as shown in FIGS. 4 and 5, the elastic deformation portion 43 is deformed such that the fixing protrusion 42 can be varied vertically when fitting the deviationdeviating prevention member 40 in the insertion groove 29c, thereby providing easy mounting.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 8, with the following paragraph:

The buffer member 30 may provide good tactile sensation to the hands resulting from a predetermined amount of elastic deformation thereof, and also prevents the user from feeling the coldness of the metal when gripping the door handle to open or close the door 13. In addition, the buffer member 30 may prevent user's fingernails from breaking. The deviationdeviating prevention member 40 may prevent the buffer member 30 from sliding down or being pushed up in the insertion groove due to the weakened adhesive force of the buffer member 30, so that the buffer member 30 is not deviated from insertion groove 29c.